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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

This document is in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on February 14, 2002. Please find attached, 11 pages of formal drawings for this application and a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Paper.

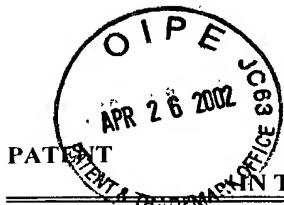
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:  
**11 pgs of drawings, 1 pg. Response to notice to file corrected application papers, 1 pg. Notice to file corrected application papers VAS transmittal and postcard**

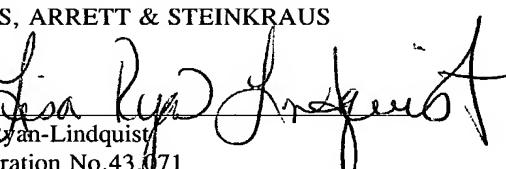
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 Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

3. **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

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***Filing Date Granted***

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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